

John Dods House  
Lincoln Park, Morris County, New Jersey

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Owner: (Saylord B. Wilson) L.S. KIMBARK 1945

Date of Erection: About 1770

Architect:

Builder: John Dods

Present Condition: Good

Number of Stories: Two; wing one

Materials of Construction: Foundation - stone

Exterior walls - stone, frame  
gables; brick addition in rear  
of recent date

Interior walls - plaster

Inside brick chimneys

Roof - pitch; dormer added on  
main house about 1920

# Historical Data:

Miss Bailey says that this was undoubtedly on the tract Arent Schuyler and his associates bought in 1685 and patented in 1687; a deed in the Morris County office shows that it was part of a two thousand acre tract called Aquack that was owned by George Willocks. He transferred tract number two, which was a quarter part of the original, to Harrot or Carretson Glasson under the seal of the year 1689. The same deed relates that it was surveyed by Jonathan Sergeant in 1745 and

that in 1752 it came into the possession of Johannes Schermerhorn who got it by will from his father. He appears to have sold two hundred and eight acres to John Dods. This transaction was recorded December 27, 1769.

The next transfer of record is of 1821 from Jasper Dods to John Dods. Several tracts are described in a transfer from Peter F. Byerson to William Maines in 1868. The second tract of 10.49 acres is mentioned as being the house lot of John Dods. William Maines sold the property to his son-in-law Jesse W. Richards in 1878 and Richards transferred it back to him in 1886; Maines then transferred it to his daughter Emma L. Richards. It was from Emma L. Richards, then Emma L. Salmon, that Joseph R. Black purchased in 1920. The present owner obtained possession of the house and part of the lot from Joseph R. Black by deed recorded in 1936.

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